

STATE OF TENNESSEE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE

Insurance Division – Self-Insurance Section 500 James Robertson Parkway, 4TH Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1132 Phone: (615) 741-1756 Fax: (615) 532-2788

SELF-INSURERS' QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003, ALL EMPLOYERS APPLYING TO BE SELF-INSURED FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION IN TENNESSEE MUST SUBMIT WITH THIE APPLICATION A \$500.00 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE.

Complying with your request for information and necessary forms to make an application of the Tennessee Workers' Compensation Act as a Self-Insurer, we are enclosing one copy of the following:

- 1. employers application to act as a Self-Insurer;
- 2. bond form:
- 3. self-insurers' payroll report form;
- 4. bulletin on the Anti-Fraud Plan:
- 5. one copy of Rule V, basis of premium
- 6. an excerpt from the manual published by the National Council on Compensation Insurance and
- 7. Indemnity Agreement form.

All Self-Insurers must post a surety bond of not less than \$500,000. Written by an A rated company licensed to write surety in Tennessee. The \$500,000 limit may be increased. **Letters of credit are not acceptable**.

It will be necessary to use the enclosed bond form, forwarding the original to this Department.

We also require that the Self-Insurer, at the discretion of the Commissioner of Insurance, purchase, in addition to the initial deposit with this Department, excess catastrophe coverage, if the operation of such business is of a hazardous nature.

There is a sixty-day minimum for the renew of an applicant's file. If the employer does qualify to operate as a Self-Insurer under the provisions of the Tennessee Workers' Compensation Law, the effective date of such privilege shall be subsequent to the sixty-day review period.

You are also required by this Department to obtain an intrastate experience modification rate, with information based on calendar year, and an effective date of January 1 from the:

National Council on Compensation Insurance, Inc. Customer Service Center 901 Peninsula Corporate Circle Boca Raton, FL 33487 (800) 622-4123

All Forms for this are obtained from the National Council. This is required every year.

If we can be of further service please advise (615) 741-1756.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SELF-INSURANCE - WORKERS' COMPENSATION

All applicants for Self-Insurance of Workers' Compensation must complete a detailed six-page application. Approved self-insurers must re-submit an application each year showing any changes in the operation, or the financial condition of the employer. A payroll report showing all payrolls by class **must** be submitted and certified. This data is used to collect a 4.4% tax on all self-insurers. This is a recovery of premium tax.

There must be an understanding with the employer as to filing all forms and reports as required by the Workers' Compensation Division. Pursuant to TCA 50-6-413, all self-insured employers are required to maintain a workers' compensation claims office or to contract with a claims adjuster located within the borders of the State of Tennessee. Such claims office or adjuster has authority to commence temporary total disability benefits and medical benefits if so ordered by the claims coordinator or by a court at a show cause hearing.

If any employer in Tennessee is to be approved on the basis of the financial capacity of a parent, associate, or affiliate, a certified financial statement of the guarantor must be submitted, and the guarantor must furnish the Department an absolute guarantee of all the employer's obligations under the Tennessee Workers' Compensation Law. Anything less than this is not acceptable.

Employers domiciled in Tennessee, or operating principally in Tennessee should have a minimum workers' compensation premium of \$350,000 after discounts. (Please note; there are no exceptions to this requirement.)

Financial capacity is the most critical requirement. The employer must have at least a three (3) year record of financial stability, and must be an organization with considerable net worth. Also, the employer must submit the company's most recent three (3) year audited financial statements, as well as, three (3) years loss history.

An employer recently acquired through a highly leveraged buyout is **not** eligible to self-insure until they have a well-established and acceptable financial capacity. This type of employer must operate on an insured basis until the financial status is fully known.

Policies providing excess or catastrophe coverage are required of **all** employers. This coverage **must** be written on a STATUTORY coverage basis, and policies such as umbrellas etc., are **not** acceptable. All such coverage must be provided by insurance companies properly qualified in Tennessee and have an A rating or better. We may require coverage written on a direct pay basis as opposed to a reimbursement or reinsurance basis. Self-insurance retentions may be negotiable between the employer and this Department

A self-insurer must handle claims in a satisfactory manner, and failure to do so may result in immediate withdrawal of the privilege to self-insure, either by the Department of Commerce and Insurance, or by the Commissioner of Labor.

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Items Required to Begin Review of Self-Insurance Privilege

- 1. Completed, signed and notarized application.
- 2. Completed payroll report from previous calendar year.
- 3. Audited Financial Statements for the three most recent years
- 4. Anti-Fraud Plan submitted to the address on form (to obtain forms call 615-532-5341)
- 5. Three most recent years loss runs valued as of December 31.
- 6. Three latest experience mods. Interstate mods will be accepted for approval, but once approved, we will only accept Intrastate or Tennessee only mods. We also accept "Test Mods". All mods must be on calendar year basis and effective January 1, and be promulgated by NCCI.
- 7. List of all Tennessee locations, their addresses including zip codes, and number of employees at each location.
- Name and address of person in Tennessee responsible for handling claims. (See TCA§50-6-413)
- 9. Name, address, phone number, fax number and e-mail address for contact person responsible for Self-Insurance program.
- 10. Indemnity agreement for each subsidiary if applicable.
- 11. Federal Employer Identification Number.
- 12. \$500.00 Non-refundable application fee. (Effective July 1, 2003)



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Gentlemen: The undesigned employer (applicant) submits the following statements and reports of qualifications to carry his own risk under provisions of the Workers Compensation Act of Tennessee.					
Name of applicant:			Phone No.		
2. Address:Street	City	County	State	Zip	
3. The Applicant is:					
4. List below the title, names and add	•	•	noration	(FEIN#)	
Title	Name	nectors of the corp	Address		
5. Date of commencement of busine 6. Chartered under the Laws of the s			on		
7. If a foreign corporation, give date	of registration in office	of the Tennessee S		ate	
8. Has there been any change in corp	oorate structure within th	ne last two years?		Date	
If yes, explain:					
Has applicant any affiliates, substance:	idiaries, or divisions?	If so, g	ive following informa	tion regarding	
State whether affiliate, division or subsidiary	Name and office ad	dress	Character and l	ocation of business	
				-	
10. Is Applicant a subsidiary?same:	If so, give name	and address of Pa	arent Company, and li	st all subsidiaries of	
 Parent Company is: Its Subsidiaries are: Name of subsidiary 	Name and office ad	dress	City, State, Zip Code		

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11. Description of employme	nt:	For year ending	
Locations in Tennessee	Kind of employment	Average number of employees in Tennessee	Actual payroll for all employees in Tennessee
Attach additional pages if necessary	is desired:		
14. Current workers' compen	sation premium paid in Teni	nessee:	
15. What is the expiration dat	e of you present policy?		
16. What is your latest experience	ence rating?	Please a	ttach a copy of this rating.
17. Name of Service Compan	y proposing to administer yo	our program?	

18. Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Assets		Liab	ilities	
Cash on hand and on deposit		\$	Notes Payable(ScheduleB)	:	\$
Stocks (Schedule B) \$			Accounts Payable		
Bonds (Schedule B)			Accrued Taxes		
Mortgages (Schedule A)		\$	Delinquent Taxes		
Notes Receivable			Other Payable (including accruals)		
Less allowances for notes past due		\$	Deferred revenue or income		
Accounts Receivables			Total Current Liabilities		<u>\$</u>
Less allowances for accounts past due		\$	Mortgage Indebtedness – Specify		
Other receivables (including accruals)		\$	(showing maturities):	¢.	
Inventories (note question 21)		\$		\$	-
Prepayment, insurance, rent taxes etc.		\$			-
Total Current Assets		\$	Bond Indebtedness – Specify		\$
Investments (long-term) Specify:			(showing maturities):	\$	
				\$	-
					-
Other Assets and Deferred Charges Sp	pecify:		Deposit and other Trust Funds:		
				\$	-
				-	- \$
			Reserves – Specify:		
	_	\$		\$	-
		Ψ		\$	\$
Plant and Equipment \$			Other Liabilities – Specify:		
Real Estate (book value)				\$	\$
Building (cost)			Net Worth:		
Machinery and Equipment (cost)			Capital Stock – preferred	\$	-
Furniture and Fixtures (cost)			Capital Stock - common		-
Automobile, trucks, other vehicles (co	ost)		Paid-in surplus		-
Total		\$	Earned surplus		-
Less depreciation			Total Net Worth		\$
Total Assets		\$	Total Liabilities and Net Worth	1	\$

Answer all the following questions and fill in all schedules.

19. Inventories

Class	Method of Inventory	Date Taken	Amount
attach additional pages if necessary			
0. Are any assets mortgaged	or pledged, in addition to thos	se listed in Schedule B, C an	
If ves. Amount	Explain:		Yes or No
 (a) Notes re-discounted (b) Accommodations endo (c) Suretyships (d) Other guaranties (e) Goods held on consign (f) 	orsements		
22. Have your books been aud			lease submit a copy.
SCHEDULES SU	JPPLEMENTAL TO FINAL	NCIAL OR PERIODICAI	STATEMENT

SCHEDULE-A NOTES AND LOANS RECEIVABLE

Name of Maker	Address	Secured? By What?	Amount

SCHEDULE-B STOCKS AND BONDS OWNED

Description (Specify)	Book Value	Current Market Value	Actual Cost	Are these in default as to principal or interest?
				1

Attach additional pages if necessary.

SCHEDULE-C REAL ESTATE AND OTHER PHYSICAL ASSETS LOCATED IN TENNESSEE OWNED BY APPLICANT

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Description and	Book Value	Assessed Value	Fire Insurance Carried	Amount of Liens on
Location of Tennessee			on buildings	Property if any
Property				

Attach additional pages if necessary

SCHEDULE-D NOTES PAYABLE

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Payable to whom	Maturity	Secured? By What?	Amount

Attach additional pages if necessary

Items: (Omit cents)	Year en	ded	20	Year ended	20	Year ended _	20
Sales							
Total Assets							
Liabilities Net Worth							
Annual Profits or losses							
Dividends declared and paid							
Total Payroll							
4. Is the applicant in defaul holders, bond holders, or holders. 5. Financial statements are	r stockhold	ers?	An	nount?	If so, s	pecify or explain	1
On what calendar dates of	do such peri	odical	statements	become available	?	Allilu	
6. Past three year's Accide		nce		Date		Data	
Number of deaths	Date			Date		Date	
Number of deaths Number of							
dismemberments	<u></u>						
Number of temporary disabilities exceeding 7 days duration							
Number of accidents of all kinds				1			
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Has a photocopy of this policy been placed on file in The Department of Commerce and Insurance?

35. Is you plant inspected by other than State Authority?

that department or individual su	dividual that pays particular attention to pplied with the Safety Orders promulgations?	o safety methods of operation? If so, is ated by the Tennessee Department of
 a. That this privilege may be a Tennessee Code Annotated b. That the applicant, who is a policy with The Departmer c. That upon request by The Odeposit with said Commiss requirement. d. That I will not solicit, receivages for the purpose of di I will not permit any person 	carrying catastrophe or excess coverage at of Commerce and Insurance. Commissioner of The Department of Coioner an acceptable surety bond amount we or collect any money from my employee.	insurance, will file a photocopy of the mmerce and Insurance, the applicant will ing to not less than the minimum byees or make any deduction from their reference the Workers Compensation Act and that II medical or hospital tickets to my
	whether your company or parent compar	
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Moody's		
Dun & Bradstreet		
Other (specify)		
Signed_		Employer
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	By	
	(Of	ficial Position)
	AFFIDAVIT ow should be the employer himself; or if the employer be a corporation, its president, vice-president, so	over be a partnership, one of the partners; or if the
	to be a corporation, its president, vice president, s	ceretary of deasurer.)
State of		
County		
applicant employer, to which the re	presentations and statements set forth in	eposes and says that he is the person who he is acquainted with the affairs of said in the forgoing application, knows the help ined are true to the best of his knowledge
	(Affiant's Signature)	(Official Position)
Subscribed and sworn tobefore me	at	,thisday
Of	, A.D., 20	
		(Notary Public)
	IMPORTANT	

When the applicant is a subsidiary company or a partnership, the Commissioner requires that the parent company, or any other company or persons holding stock in the applicant company, or a partner or partners in the applicant partnership, shall give a satisfactory guarantee that the applicant will fully and promptly pay all sums which are or may become payable under the provisions of the Tennessee Workers' Compensation Law and under the terms of the agreement contained in this application.



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SELF-INSURERS PAYROLL REPORT

ITEM 1	TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE:
ITEM 2	Name of Employer Address:
ITEM3	Figures contained in this report are for the purpose of adjusting the tax assessment made for the period of January 1, 20 , to December 31, 20 , and for making the assessment for the period of January 1, 20 , to December 31, 20 .
ITEM 4	Code Classification of Operation Average number of employees in Tennessee for year ending December 31, 20, Actual/ Estimated Payroll of all employees in Tennessee for period of
	NOTE IMPORTANT 1. CLERICAL OFFICE EMPLOYEES. – This classification shall include those employees with office duties only and having no other duty of any other nature in or about the employer's premises. 2. Unless the payroll above is subdivided into proper classifications, the highest rate will be used in calculating the premium. 3. If employer has multiple locations, please consolidate classifications.
ITEM 5	RETURN THIS COPY TO THIS OFFICE – RETAIN A COPY FOR YOUR FILES The forgoing enumeration and description of employees includes all persons employed in the services of this employer in Tennessee in connection with the business operations above described to whom remuneration of any nature in consideration of service is paid, in whole or in part by bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, holidays or sickness periods, or on basis of piecework, or by store certificates, merchandise credits, or any substitute for money. Such form of payment shall be considered as wages to be included in the actual remuneration earned, and the total remuneration earned by each employee shall be reported excluding only the part of overtime as set forth in the basis of premium. This remuneration shall also include the President and Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer of this employer in every instance where the Executive Officer actually performs such duties as are ordinarily undertaken by a Superintendent, Foreman, or worker, or whose duties include direct charge of the actual performance of any obligations of the risk. The entire payroll of such an Executive Officer shall be assigned without division to the highest rated classification which applies to any such duties undertaken by such Executive Officer for any part of his time. The Department of Commerce and Insurance reserves the right to examine the books of the Employer at any time during the current or following year and any extension thereof so far as they relate to the remuneration earned by any employee of this employer.
	I,
	Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of
	(Notary Public)



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BOND OF EMPLOYER CARRYING HIS OWN RISK

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That	a corporation
duly incorporated under the laws of the State of	,as
principal, and	, a corporation duly incorporated under the
laws of the State of	, a corporation duly incorporated under the , as surety, are held and firmly bound unto loyees of the principal and to the dependents of such
the State of Tennessee for the use and benefit of the emp.	loyees of the principal and to the dependents of such
employees in the sum of	dollars, current money of the payment whereof we hereby bind ourselves and each of us,
our and each of our heirs, executors, successors and assign	gns, jointly and severally, firmly, by these presents.
Sealed with our seal and dated, thisday of	, 20
WHEREAS, the above bounden	did on, file with the Commissioner of Insurance of the State
theday of	, file with the Commissioner of Insurance of the State
and any amendments thereto, being a part of the Worker'	ilege under Section 50-6-405, Tennessee Code Annotated s Compensation Insurance Law, Chapter 12, of Title 50, operating under said Law without insuring the same; and
WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Commerce and Insura	ance did, on theday of20,
grant this privilege upon the condition that the said princ	ipal enter into a bond in the penalty sum of
Dollars, conditioned, amount things, that said principal s	hall abide by and perform the requirements of the aforesaid ng compensation and furnishing medical, surgical and other
services and funeral expenses to said employees and their	
NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is	such that if the above bounden
and expense, of medical, surgical and other services and then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in This bond is and shall be construed to be a direct obligation severally, to the person who may be entitled to such sum or compensation and may be sued upon and enforced in the This bond may be cancelled at any time by the surety upon Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance of the State of at the expiration of the said thirty days, cease and determining or death to any of its employees, as may have accreticated.	full force and effect virtue in law. Ion by the principal and surety herein either jointly or for medical, surgical and other services, funeral expenses the name or names of such person or persons. Ion giving thirty (30) days' written notice to the of Tennessee, in which event the liability of the surety shall, tine, except as to such liability of the principal on account of used prior to the expiration of said thirty days, it being all sum mentioned herein, for the default of the principal in the life of this obligation. In the life of this obligation. In the life of this obligation its name by its President, etary, and the said Surety has likewise caused these
	Per
Secretary	President
Secretary	PerPresident or authorized officer of Surety Co.
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I,, Secretary of the emp	ployer corporation aforesaid hereby certify that by
resolution adopted onday of20_aforementioned directed and empowered the execution of	the Board of Directors of the employer fthis Bond.
In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my	official seal.
	Secretary

(PLEA SE ATTACH POWER OF ATTORNEY)

(USE THIS FORM OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT IF THE EMPLOYER IS A CORPORATION)

State of,	
County.	
sworn says that he knows the common seal of president of said corporation, and that he, the said saw the said president sign the foregoing instrument, an	personally came before me,,Notary,who being by me duly and is acquainted with who is, is the secretary of the said corporation and d saw the said common seal of said corporation affixed to secretary as aforesaid, affixed said seal to signed his name in attestation of the execution of said oration.
Witness my hand and official seal, this the da	
	Notary Public
	My Commission Expires

INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESEN	T, that we	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
a corporation, organized and existing under	er and by v	ritue of the laws of the State of, for and
in consideration of the State of Tennessee	authorizii	ng, a ovisions of the Workers' Compensation Law of the State of
corporation, to operate as a self-insurer un	der the pro	ovisions of the Workers' Compensation Law of the State of
Tennessee do hereby guarantee the payme	ent by said	of any and all valid claims for
		er the said Workers' Compensation Law for injury or death to
		e event that saidshall not pay or
		e or that may become due under said Law, then the pay or cause
		at may become due under said Law, then the undersigned
	<u>,</u> coven	ants and agrees that it will pay to all such claimants the benefits said claimants in any action brought on this agreement, with the
due, including a reasonable attorney fee in	curred by	said claimants in any action brought on this agreement, with the
expressed knowledge and understanding t	hat the exe	ecution and acceptance of this agreement is for the benefit of
unknown and unnamed employees and for	mer emplo	oyees of said, and
that said	does he	reby recognize this agreement as a direct financial guarantee to
said employees or former employees.		byees of said, and creby recognize this agreement as a direct financial guarantee to
		, shall have a right to cancel and
		e State of Tennessee at least sixty (60) days written notice of its
		on shall not affect its liability as to any benefits payable for
injuries occurring prior to the date of cancel	ellation sp	ecified in such notice.
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Signed spaled and delivered this	day of	, 20
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